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And his seken face showed fears.

He said: "On earth I had no peace.
My life was full of jars.
I lied to all the lumbermen,
Because they wanted cars."

The devil said: "Go 'way, poor man,
All heated through and through.
They've waited now so very long.
There's demurrage charge on you."

"They've got a cast-iron freight car
All heated through and through.
They've waited now so very long.
There's demurrage charge on you."

MORE WORK FOR PINKERTON.

Chief Surgeon for O. S. L. to Act for Utah Light & Railway.

On, or shortly after, Jan. 1, Dr. Samuel H. Pinkerton, chief surgeon for the Oregon Short Line, will have his jurisdiction extended to cover the Utah Light & Railway company, taking the position held for years by Dr. Joseph S. Richards. As company doctor, Dr. Pinkerton and his assistants will not only look after the health of the employees, but take charge of such accident cases as may arise.

Dr. Pinkerton has long been regarded as one of the leading physicians and surgeons of the west, and is a main the Short Line employees swear by.

T. J. DUDDELESON, HERE

T. J. Duddleson, formerly division superintendent on the Oregon Short Line at Pocatello, is here today en route to Cober, Nev., where he goes as superintendent of the Nevada Northern railroad on Jan. 1. Mr. Duddleson is taking in city life prior to being engaged on the desert with nothing to occupy his mind but plenty of hard work.

TRACKS ARE SOFT.

Frequent Derailments Are in Order on Streetcar Lines.

With the prevailing rainy weather the physical condition of the tracks of the Utah Light & Railway company are in a very bad condition. Loose joints, unevenness and spreading rails are the order of the day especially on the East Seventh south and Waterloo lines. In consequence "the little red wagon" is working over-time. Yesterday portions of double tracks were operated as single tracks owing to derailing cars and this morning two cars went off Ninth East fourth South during the early rush hour.

All reports to the contrary notwithstanding the company has not yet got down to the point where orders have been placed for new rails and additional heavy steel. At present the officials of the company are making up a report covering the requirements. It is understood that among the recommendations will be one asking for a concrete roadbed for the tracks along some of the soft stretches on the Waterloo line. In any case there is so much work to be done that the public cannot anticipate modern rapid transit until next winter, if then.

ORDERS FOR CARS.

Will Take Until 1908 to Fill All That Are Placed.

Purchasing agents report great difficulty in getting orders filled for steel and equipment in these piping times of prosperity. According to one gentleman this morning, who is in touch with the situation, orders for steel cars have come so thick and fast during the past few months that the big plants already have enough orders on hand to fill to occupy their attention until the latter part of 1908. Steel mills and equipment plants also are rushed with orders on hand for the next 12 months, if they do not book another.

SPIKE AND RAIL.

The Sanpete Valley, in addition to a prospering freight year, has had 2,400 tons of best out of the north end of the valley.

J. Wallen of Ogden has entered upon his new duties as general foreman of the shops at Sparks, Nev., in place of J. A. Greene, who was temporarily in charge.

The Pocatello Tribune is getting its railroad news from Salt Lake by the simple process of clipping the stuff from the Salt Lake papers and putting a Salt Lake date line on it and calling it a special to the Tribune.

The townsite of Filer, Ida., is to be resurveyed, owing to the approaching advent of the railroad. The O. S. L. depot, it is claimed, is to be located on the property of H. B. Lorain.

Next month Union Pacific employees will not be required to pay the usual 50 cents to the company hospital fund. The fund has now reached such proportions that the company will from time to time excuse the men from paying the monthly hospital fee.

WOULD-BE BURGLAR.

Aged Man Hit Him on Head With a Heavy Poker.

(Special to the News.)
Bingham, Dec. 26.—A would-be burglar came to grief here at an early hour this morning. About 6 o'clock a. m., a German named Lee Hetrick attempted to break into the tailor establishment of August Lund, when the latter suddenly appeared at the door and struck the intruder over the head with a poker. Lund slammed the door and turned on the lights. His action was none too quick, for Hetrick pulled a revolver and fired two shots in Lund's direction.

Hetrick was placed under arrest, and is being held pending an examination.

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GOVERNMENT POSITIONS.

Civil Service Examinations to be Held Next Month.

There will be civil service examinations, Jan. 15 next, for the position of Rodman, with the quartermaster's department at large, at Boise, Ida., at \$900 per annum; on Jan. 23, for position as teacher, with the Indian service, at \$450 per annum; also, for the position of vignette engraver, at \$2,200 per annum; also, for the position of cook as follows: Rapid City, S. D., \$500; Agricultural school, N. D., \$450; Zuni, N. M., \$450; Ponce, Okla., \$450; Fort Belknap, Mont., \$450; Pima, Ariz., \$500; Western Navajo, Ariz., \$500; Haskell, Kan., \$600; Greenville, Cal., \$450; Truckton Canyon, Ariz., \$450; Western Shoshone, Nev., \$450; Lemhi, Ida., \$500; Second Mesa, Ariz., \$450; also, for the position of kindergarten teacher, Indian service, \$300 per annum, at Fort Apache, Ariz.; also, for the position of chief clerk, interstate commerce commission, at \$500 per annum; also, for the position of baker (woman) at \$500 per annum, with the Indian service at Carson, Nev.; also, for the position of clerk-translator-type writer (man), bureau of plant industry, department of agriculture, at \$1,400 per annum; also, for the position of messenger, bureau of standards, department of commerce and labor, at \$720 per annum. Applicants for this last position must have had some experience in handling, packing and unpacking delicate scientific instruments, or delicate china or glassware.

QUIET WEDDING CEREMONY.

Performed Last Night and Ended Career of Miss Christensen.

In a very quiet wedding ceremony, held just before the midnight hour of Christmas day, the marriage of Miss Christensen was ended last night, and a new career as mistress of a Salt Lake home was begun.

The man in the case is Charles M. Hendricks, a professor on the Intermountain University, who has known Miss Christensen for a number of years, and who has loved her for almost as long.

Miss Christensen, who is known as "The Illusion of Beattie," and her role was that of Miss Hendricks. The ceremony was held at the home of Mr. Hendricks, a close friend of Mr. Hendricks, spent Christmas evening with him, and the marriage was consummated. The bride went through her role in the theater play. Following the performance she was taken to the home of Mr. Hendricks, where the ceremony was performed. It was followed by a dinner at a downtown restaurant, and the bride and groom left for their new home in Denver, where they both resided for some time.

LATE LOCALS.

Bank Clearings.—Yesterday's local bank clearings amounted to \$1,359,773.06 against \$948,173.91 for the same day last year.

Against the Increase.—Manager F. Browning of the Royal cafe explains in a letter to the "News" regarding the prices of meals at Salt Lake restaurants, that his cafe is not contemplating any increase, in spite of the fact that all lines of restaurant supplies are raising in price.

Given Six Months.—The case of Samuel Stainer, charged with forgery and passing a forged instrument, was heard before Judge Diehl this morning. The exact amount of the charge, petty larceny to which Stainer pleaded guilty and the court sentenced him to six months hard labor in the county jail.

Examination Ended.—The examination of the three applicants for the Senator Smoot appointment to the post office at Pocatello, Idaho, and the papers are being graded. The committee in charge of the examination will be ready to report the results to Senator Smoot on Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

Real Estate Deals.—The following realty records were recorded yesterday afternoon: Sarah F. Cook to A. Fred Wey, \$8,339 fee on Second East street, between Second and Third South streets, \$5,000; to John A. Bueby, \$4,462 fee, at Second West and Third South streets, \$3,250.

Prospects for Rain.—There is every prospect for rainy weather for the next two days, as there is an extended low barometric area covering the entire coast line and rapidly coming this way. But a lower temperature is expected by tomorrow. Light showers began falling last evening, and this morning was as threatening, so that the winter is anything but pleasant.

Work Well Done.—Postmaster Thomas has good reason to be gratified, as with all the increased work of the office caused by the rapid growth of the city and the proportionate increase of postal work, the clerks and force generally have handled all the business with such celerity that the office is right up to date in its operation. The exact amount of tips each was taken in hand just as soon as they arrived, as all the Christmas traffic was out of the way. Postmaster Thomas plucked right into the work himself, and labored as hard as any of his help.

Doing Good Service.—There is a pair of crutches in the county attorney's office that is doing good service now days and is going the rounds among the inmates of the county jail. The first to use them was Asst. County Atty. Job P. Lyon who sprained his ankle about two weeks ago and was compelled to hobble around on crutches. The crutches had hardly got cold again before Asst. County Atty. Hanson met with an accident at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium in which he fell from a table and broke his leg. The crutches were then handed over to him and he is now using them to good advantage.

The only question of the kind is whether the crutches will be used by the man who will be next to use them, or whether they will be used by the man who will be next to use them.

CONDITIONS IN FRISCO.

Glen Miller Says There is no Truth in Earthquake Stories.

Glen Miller, who is spending the holidays here from San Francisco, reports as without foundation the stories told in Salt Lake and elsewhere about the recurrence of earthquakes at San Francisco, and says he has not noticed such recurrences, although he has been there for a long time. Mr. Miller is glad to report the city as free from burglaries and holdups, and that the only crime committed by a mere handful of men, and the worst offender is now under a death sentence. He is a young man, named Dabney, comparatively fresh from the farm, and a pestering would not naturally be suspected of being engaged in such nefarious operations. The man said he went into crime for what there was in it, has got out of it all there was to be had, and expressed himself as now ready to pay the penalty with his life.

Mr. Miller said building material is being received at a fairly rapid rate, so that operations in this line are progressing with satisfactory speed. The burned district is being built up, and mechanics and laborers are being advertised for at any price. Mr. Miller is very sanguine as to the outlook for San Francisco, where all the business possible is being transacted. The trouble there as here, is to secure goods from manufacturers. The maintenance of the refugee camps has been carefully systematized, and the troubles that obtained there have been reduced to a minimum.

Schumann-Helke, the world's greatest contralto. First Methodist church, New Year's eve. Tickets at Clayton's.

RESIGNS M. & M. SECRETARYSHIP

Orvin Morris Steps Down From Important Rate Adjustment Position.

DIFFERENCES WITH OFFICERS.

Said to Have Disapproved of Railroad Commission and "Spectacular" Challenge to Debate Question.

A decided stir was caused in business and railroad circles this afternoon, when the announcement was made that Orvin Morris of the Manufacturers and Merchants' association had tendered his resignation, as secretary and active working head of the organization, and that his place had been filled by Mr. C. O. Harris, formerly manager of the Independent Telephone company of this city.

Mr. Morris left the employ of the association last night, and when called up by telephone late this afternoon, refused absolutely to discuss his reasons therefor. From another source, however, it was learned that Mr. Morris disapproved very strongly of the association's efforts to secure a railroad commission, at least of some of the means to that end, and that he likewise strongly criticized what was termed a "grand stand play" at the challenge of the association to debate the general railroad commission and rate situation.

PATRIARCH WEST DEAD.

Pioneer of the Fifties Goes to Rest at Age of 80 Years.

Another pioneer and faithful worker in the cause of truth has gone to his rest, in the death of Patriarch Jesse West. Mr. West passed from mortality on Monday night at 11:30 in this city, the cause being general debility. Funeral services will be held at the Sixth ward meetinghouse tomorrow afternoon beginning at 1 o'clock. Friends may view the remains at the residence of J. T. Waterhouse, Islington court, between the hours of 10 and 12 on the day of the funeral.

Patriarch West was born at Washbrough, Derbyshire, England, on March 30, 1827. He emigrated to Utah in 1850, crossing the plains with an ox team. He has lived in Salt Lake ever since that time and was well known and beloved.

Mr. West leaves six children, as follows: Alma Henry, Orson M., Nephi T., Mattilda Rupp, Eliza Penton and Nellie May Waterhouse.

GROCERY STORE ROBBED.

C. J. Foulger's Place of Business Broken Into by Burglars.

The grocery store of C. J. Foulger, 476 Third street, was entered by burglars some time Monday night and considerable property carried away. Entrance was gained by tearing off the shutter and breaking the glass to the front window. The front door was also broken open, and the burglars were not made until early Tuesday morning when a friend of Mr. Foulger crawled in through the broken window and notified him over the telephone. The exact amount of goods secured has as yet not been ascertained. All of the best cigars, five or six boxes in number, and 10 of his one pound boxes of candy are missing. A candle was found on the counter which had been used by the thieves showing them a reward of \$10 for the arrest and conviction of the guilty.

PERSONALS.

Joe Siegel has gone east on a purchasing trip to be gone five or six weeks.

Chief Vail of the fire department left Monday night for a 15 days' rest to be spent on the coast.

H. O. Harkness, the well known Mammoth, Ida., miller and business man, is a guest at the Wilson.

Judge H. W. Lockhart, former chairman of the Democratic state committee of Idaho, is down from Pocatello today.

Sergeant Major Adolph Wells of the Twenty-ninth infantry, formerly of the German army, is a patient at Hot Springs, Ark.

Miss Alice Wolfgang and Miss Lulu Bowen will leave Saturday morning for Denver to spend a week there visiting with friends.

A NOVEL DUEL.

Two Grooms Fight a Fatal One With Pitchforks.

New York, Dec. 26.—A duel with pitchforks between two grooms employed in a fashionable riding academy in East Fifty-eighth street today, resulted in probably fatal injuries today to Thomas Connolly, whose eye and brain were penetrated by the prong of the fork wielded by James Cassidy. The two are said to have quarreled last night over the amount of tips each had received from patrons of the academy. Today they had another quarrel over the possession of a pitchfork. Each armed with a pitchfork, fought for several minutes until Cassidy was stabbed in the eye. Cassidy was arrested.

STOLEN MONEY FOUND.

Kansas City, Dec. 26.—A special to the Star from Austin, says: Between \$7,000 and \$8,000 stolen by Anderson, former paying teller of the First National Bank of Kansas City, who was arrested here, has been found in Austin. The exact amount is not known, but an agent of the bonding company which bonded Anderson, said with what Anderson had turned over and this amount will reimburse the bond company for their loss.

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It is Against American Rule in Cuba, the Philippines and Hawaii.

JAPANESE SAID TO BE AGENTS.

Gov. Magoon Investigating Reports—Japs Alleged to Have Photographed Havana Fortifications.

New York, Dec. 26.—The World today published a dispatch from Havana which states that Gov. Magoon is investigating a report that the Japanese are planning an insurrection in February against American rule in Cuba, the Philippines and Hawaii. The investigation, it is stated, was prompted by information received from a Cuban official named Fardinas, who, it is alleged, overheard five Japanese, said to be in Cuba, talking of an insurrection that was planned among the negroes of Cuba simultaneously with insurrection in the Philippines and Hawaii. The presence of the Japanese, the dispatch says, has been noted by the secret police, because they are alleged to have been taking photographs and measurements of the fortifications of Havana.

CUBAN SITUATION GETTING DISAGREEABLE.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Secy. Taft has received advice from Gov. Magoon at Havana indicating that a more or less unsettled condition of affairs exists in certain parts of Cuba and that in Santa Clara province some lawless bands are appearing and pillaging. Therefore at the governor's instance Gen. Bell has ordered a considerable reinforcement of the garrison of Santa Clara, and that province. For the first time since the second occupation of the island by the Americans it has become necessary for troops to undertake themselves the suppression of lawless disorders instead of leaving this task to the Cuban rural guards which, in some quarters is regarded as an indication of the inability of the Cuban civil authorities to permanently maintain peace in the island.

Gen. Bell, in company with Gen. Wint, who will succeed him Jan. 1, in command of the American troops in Cuba, is now making a tour of the island with special reference to the military necessities in case further disturbances occur.

NIAGARA FALLS.

Secy. Taft Preparing to Take up Question of Their Preservation.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Secy. Taft is preparing to take up for final disposition the complex questions presented to him under the terms of the Burton act relative to the conservation of the waters of the Niagara river as to prevent the sacrifice of the falls to the commercial interests of the country. Grave constitutional questions are involved. Attorneys for the electric lighting and power companies, which have been taking the water are insisting that the national government has no right to regulate the disposition of streams, and that the right of navigation thereof is concerned. In the case of the Niagara river, where the water is taken from the stream above the falls, only to be returned to it again below, this issue is not involved. So far, however, the right of the United States government to regulate the admission of currents of electricity generated by its falls, and the side of the river has not been challenged, and to this question the secretary intends to first address himself.

SAMUEL REYMER REUNITED WITH FAMILY.

Pittsburg, Dec. 26.—Samuel Reymer and his young wife, formerly Nellie Paris, a dancing girl, were yesterday reunited with the family of the husband after an estrangement of two years, during which time the young husband was discovered by his father, Jacob Reymer, the candy king of Pittsburg. Young Reymer married Nellie Paris in March, 1905, after a stormy courtship with the millionaire, who demanded that he give the dancing girl up or lose his half of the Reymer millions. He was married within an hour and was disinherited.

AM. HISTORICAL ASSN.

Providence, R. I., Dec. 26.—A large gathering of men distinguished in historical and scientific research assembled at Brown university today in preparation of the opening of the annual meeting of the American Historical society, political science, economic and educational associations convention. The sessions will continue for three days. The gathering was expected to be the largest of its kind ever held in this city.

In connection with the convention, the American Historical society will have its twenty-second annual meeting, continuing until the 29th. The American economical association has its nineteenth annual meeting Dec. 26 to 29. The Biographical society of America will have its second annual gathering Dec. 27, and the twenty-first annual meeting of the New England History Teachers' association will be held on Dec. 27. Many important papers have been prepared by prominent speakers.

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ly liable for jewels valued at \$25,000 purchased from Mile Vera Mindoff of Odesa, who sold the jewels to Count Boni. The court also found that Madame Gould was jointly liable for the sum of about \$57,000, the balance due to the Harbors for a jewelry bill amounting to about \$27,000 provided the bill was not paid. Three experts were appointed to appraise the value of the jewelry.

BIG FIRE IN PERRY, IOWA.

Perry, Ia., Dec. 26.—Fire here early today destroyed three business blocks. Loss, \$10,000.

SANTA CLAUS STABBED.

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